

BUSINESS LICENSE COMMISSION

COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES

374 KENNETH HAHN HALL OF ADMINISTRATION 500 WEST TEMPLE STREET LOS ANGELES, CA 90012 (213) 974-7691



April 12, 2011

CERTIFIED MAIL - RETURN RECEIPT REQUESTED

Chewkat Jajieh Bliss ShowGirls 13217 Valley Blvd La Puente, CA 91746 MEMBERS
STEVEN AFRIAT
PRESIDENT
RENÉE CAMPBELL
VICE-PRESIDENT
SARA VASQUEZ
SECRETARY
JAMES BARGER
COMMISSIONER

<u>HEARING ON RECOMMENDATION TO DENY</u> ENTERTAINMENT-ADULT BUSINESS LICENSE ID #137255

Dear Applicant:

The Business License Commission will hold a hearing on the above matter on **Wednesday**, **April 20, 2011** at **9:00 a.m**. in Room 374-A, 500 West Temple Street, Los Angeles, CA 90012. Your presence is requested at this hearing. If you are unable to attend you may authorize a representative to appear on your behalf. The representative must present signed and duly notarized letter giving authorization and the reasons you are unable to appear.

RIGHT TO REPRESENTATION / FOREIGN LANGUAGE SPEAKERS

You have the right to be represented at this hearing by an attorney or other individual of your choosing and at your own cost. In the absence of a representative, you must represent yourself and the hearing will proceed as scheduled.

If you require a translator, you must arrange at your own cost to have present at the hearing either a professional/certified interpreter or other person who is <u>fluent</u> in both English and your native language. If you are unable to locate an interpreter, please contact our office and you will be provided a list of interpreting services.

Parking is available at your cost in Lot 14, the Music Center lot, located at the corner of Grand Avenue and Temple Street. A map is enclosed. Please note proceedings begin promptly at 9:00 a.m. The Business License Commission reserves the right to reschedule your hearing to a later date for failure to timely appear.

Sincerely,

STEVEN AFRIAT

President

Twila P. Kerr Commission Staff

c: Cristina Hernandez, Treasurer-Tax Collector Ben Garcia, Sheriff's Department James L. Miller, Esq.



COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES TREASURER AND TAX COLLECTOR



MARK J. SALADINO TREASURER AND TAX COLLECTOR KENNETH HAHN HALL OF ADMINISTRATION Revenue and Enforcement Division 225 N. Hill Street, RM 109 P.O. Box 54970 Los Angeles, CA 90054-0970

Telephone (213) 974-2011 Telecopier (213) 633-5427

January 14, 2011

CHAWKAT JAJIEH BLISS SHOWGIRLS 13217 VALLEY BLVD LA PUENTE, CA 91746

NOTICE OF DENIAL

Your application for a ENTERTAINMENT-ADULT Business License, I.D. # 137255 located at; 13217 VALLEY BLVD, LA PUENTE, CA 91746 IS NOT RECOMMENDED for approval by the following agency listed below:

SHERIFF FINGERPRINT ATTN: TERRI MCLAUGHLIN (562) 946-7230

LOCATION FAILS TO MEET REQUIREMENTS OF LACC 7.92.050 (F,H) AND 7.92.070 (B,D,E).

You have a right to a hearing and may request a hearing before the <u>BUSINESS</u> <u>LICENSE COMMISSION</u> within (5) business days after the receipt of this letter. Your request for a hearing must be in writing and addressed to:

BUSINESS LICENSE COMMISSION 500 W. TEMPLE STREET ROOM 374 LOS ANGELES, CA 90012

If you have further questions please contact the agency above.

Very truly yours,

MARK J. SALADINO Treasurer and Tax Collector

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Business License Section

Revenue and Enforcement Division

JAMES L. MILLER, ESQ. P.O. Box 195 Newport Beach, CA 92662-0195

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January 20, 2011

L.A. County Busienss License Comm'n Room 374 500 W. Temple St. Los Angeles, CA 90012

Re: Business License Denial Appeal - License # 137255

Dear Business License Comm'n:

On behalf of my client, Chawkat Jajieh, this is a request for hearing in response to the Notice of Denial letter applicant received January 18, 2011. Kindly contact this office for anything further you may need to perfect this request and to explain your procedures from this point forward.

Very Truly Yours,

James L. Miller

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Cc: Chawkat Jajieh Ckistiva Hernandez

COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES TREASURER AND TAX COLLECTOR

225 N. Hill Street Room 109, P.O. Box 54970, Los Angeles, CA 90054-0970

BUSINESS LICENSE APPLICATION REFERRAL

KIND OF BUSINESS: ENTERTAINMENT-ADULT

ADDRESS OF BUSINESS: 13217 VALLEY BLVD, LA PUENTE, CA 91746

TELEPHONE: (626) 336-9499

OWNER OF BUSINESS: CHAWKAT JAJIEH

CAL. DR. LIC.#: C4950581

NAME OF PERSON FINGERPRINTED:

FICTITIOUS NAME: BLISS SHOWGIRLS

MAILING ADDRESS: 13217 VALLEY BLVD, LA PUENTE, CA 91746

DATE THAT YOU STARTED BUSINESS:

PREVIOUS OWNER'S NAME, IF KNOWN:

THIS IS AN APPLICATION FOR: NEW LICENSE

With E. H

SHERIFF FINGERPRINT LA COUNTY

APPROVAL

DENIAL

RECOMMENDATION: LOCATION FAILS TO MEET REQUIREMENTS OF LACC

7.92.050 (F)(H) AND 7.92.070 (B) (D)(E)

DATE: 11-15-10

BASIC LICENSE NO. 2810

DATE 04/14/10

IDENTIFICATION NUMBER 137255

7.92.050 License requirements--General.

Any adult business shall conform to the following requirements:

A. At least one security guard shall be on duty outside the premises, patrolling the grounds and parking areas, at all times while the business is open. If the occupancy limit of the premises is greater than 50 persons, an additional security guard shall be on duty inside the premises. The security guard(s) shall be charged with preventing violations of law, with enforcing compliance by patrons with the requirements of this chapter and with notifying the sheriff of any violations of law observed. Security guard(s) required by this subsection shall be uniformed in such a manner so as to be readily identifiable as a security guard by the public and shall be duly licensed as a security guard as required by applicable provisions of state or local law. No security guard required pursuant to this subsection shall act as a doorperson, ticket seller, ticket taker, or admittance person while acting as a security guard hereunder.

B. Landscaping shall conform to the standards established for the zone, except that, if the business is the sole use on a lot, no planting shall exceed 30 inches in height, except trees with

foliage not less than six feet above the ground.

C. The entire exterior grounds, including the parking lot, shall be lighted in such a manner that all areas are clearly visible at all times.

D. The premises within which the business is located shall provide sufficient sound-absorbing insulation so that sound generated inside said premises shall not be audible anywhere on any adjacent property or public right-of-way or within any other building or other separate space within the same building.

E. No exterior door or window on the premises shall be propped or kept open at any time while the business is open, and any exterior windows shall be covered with opaque covering at all

times.

F. Permanent barriers shall be installed and maintained to screen the interior of the premises from public view for each door used as an entrance or exit to the business.

- G. Signage shall conform to the standards established for the zone except that such signage shall be limited to the business name, the street address and the notice required by subsection K of this section.
- H. All indoor areas of the business within which patrons are permitted, except rest rooms, shall be open to view at all times, which view shall not be obstructed by any door, wall, curtain, two-way mirror, person, merchandise, display rack, or other material.
- I. Except as specifically provided in this chapter and in Title 22, the business shall comply with the parking, development and design standards established for the zone in which the business is located.
- J. No adult material or adult merchandise shall be displayed in such a manner as to be visible from any location other than within the premises occupied by the business.
- K. No person under the age of 18 years and no person obviously intoxicated shall be permitted within the premises at any time. A sign giving notice of this provision shall be prominently posted at each entrance to the premises of the business.
- L. The business shall not operate or be open between the hours of 2:00 a.m. and 9:00 a.m. M. The business shall provide and maintain separate rest room facilities for male patrons and employees and female patrons and employees. Male patrons and employees shall be prohibited from using the rest room(s) for females, and female patrons and employees shall be prohibited from using the rest room(s) for males, except to carry out duties of repair, maintenance and cleaning of the rest room facilities. The rest rooms shall be free from all adult materials and adult merchandise. Rest rooms shall not contain television monitors or other motion picture or video projection, recording or reproduction equipment. The foregoing provisions of this subsection shall not be applicable to an adult business which deals exclusively with sale or rental of merchandise which is not used or consumed on the premises, such as an adult bookstore, and which does not provide rest room facilities to its patrons or the general public.

N. Except as otherwise required by law or provided herein, all areas of the business accessible to patrons shall be illuminated at least to the extent of 20 footcandle, minimally maintained and evenly distributed at ground level.

- O. Individual viewing areas of the business shall be operated and maintained without any hole or other opening or means of direct communication or visual or physical access between the interior space of two or more individual viewing areas and shall not be occupied by more than one person at any one time.
- P. The business shall have at least one responsible person on the premises to act as manager at

all times during which the business is open. Such manager, if not the owner or licensee, shall first procure a license as such manager and pay an annual license fee in the amount set forth in Section 7.14.010 of this title, under the appropriate heading.

A person other than the owner or licensee shall not be employed as or act in the capacity of manager until such person has the license required by this section. (Ord. 2003-0067 § 34, 2003: Ord. 94-0081 § 2 (part), 1994.)

7.92.070 License requirements--Adult cabarets and adult theaters.

An adult cabaret or an adult theater shall conform to all of the requirements previously set forth in this chapter and shall also conform to the following additional requirements:

A. The application for an adult business license shall be accompanied by a diagram of the premises showing a plan thereof specifying the location of and dimensions of the stage upon which live entertainment will be performed, the location of the entertainers' dressing room or rooms, and the location of the entrances to and exits from the premises which are to be used exclusively by the entertainers and those which are to be used by the patrons, all of which demonstrates compliance with the requirements of this section. The tax collector shall waive the foregoing diagram for renewal applications if the owner adopts the diagram that was previously submitted and certifies that the configuration of the premises has not been altered since that diagram was prepared. No alteration in the configuration of the premises from the diagram submitted with the application for an adult business license may be made without the prior approval of the tax collector, who shall insure that the configuration requirements of this section continue to be met.

B. No person shall perform live entertainment for patrons except upon a stage at least 18 inches above the level of the floor, which is separated by a distance of at least six feet from the nearest area occupied by patrons, and no patron shall be permitted within six feet of the stage while the stage is occupied by an entertainer.

C. The business shall provide separated dressing rooms for entertainers which are exclusively dedicated to the entertainers' use.

D. The business shall provide an entrance to and exit from the premises for entertainers which is separate from the entrance and exit used by patrons.

E. The business shall provide access for entertainers between the stage and the dressing rooms which is completely separated from the patrons. If such separate access is not physically feasible, the business shall provide a minimum three-foot-wide walk aisle for entertainers between the dressing rooms and the stage, with a railing, fence or other barrier separating the patrons and the entertainers, which is capable of, and which actually results in, preventing any physical contact between patrons and entertainers.

F. No entertainer shall have physical contact with any patron, and no patron shall have physical contact with any entertainer while on the premises.

G. Fixed rails at least 30 inches in height shall be maintained establishing the separations between entertainers and patrons. (Ord. 2003-0067 § 36, 2003: Ord. 94-0081 § 2 (part), 1994.)